

BEFORE THE  
BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING  
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

**JENNIFER VIRGINIA RIDGLEY, aka  
JENNIFER VIRGINIA MACH**

Registered Nurse License No. 397628

Respondent

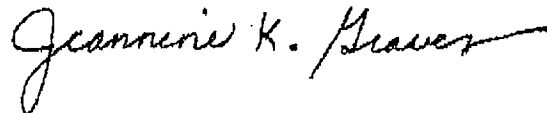
Case No. 2011-377

**DECISION AND ORDER**

The attached Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby adopted by the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in the above entitled matter.

This Decision shall become effective on **March 28, 2011**.

IT IS SO ORDERED **March 28, 2011**.



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President  
Board of Registered Nursing  
Department of Consumer Affairs  
State of California

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116 Windover Drive  
14 Asheville, NC 28803-8402

**STIPULATED SURRENDER OF  
LICENSE AND ORDER**

15 **Registered Nurse License No. 397628**

16 Respondent.

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18 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties in this  
19 proceeding that the following matters are true:

20 **PARTIES**

21 1. Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of the Board of  
22 Registered Nursing. She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in  
23 this matter by Edmund G. Brown Jr., Attorney General of the State of California, by Aspasia A.  
24 Papavassiliou, Deputy Attorney General.

25 2. Jennifer Virginia Ridgley, a.k.a. Jennifer Virginia Mach, (Respondent) is represented  
26 in this proceeding by attorney Dennis L. Kennelly, whose address is 1030 Curtis Street, Suite  
27 200, Menlo Park, CA 94025.  
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3. On or about March 31, 1986, the Board of Registered Nursing issued Registered Nurse License No. 397628 to Jennifer Virginia Ridgley, a.k.a. Jennifer Virginia Mach (Respondent). The Registered Nurse License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 2011-377 and will expire on February 29, 2012, unless renewed.

## JURISDICTION

4. Accusation No. 2011-377 was filed before the Board of Registered Nursing (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on October 25, 2010. Respondent timely filed her Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation No. 2011-377 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference.

## ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

5. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 2011-377. Respondent also has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order.

6. Respondent is fully aware of her legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel, at her own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against her; the right to present evidence and to testify on her own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.

7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

## CULPABILITY

8. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation No. 2011-377, agrees that cause exists for discipline and hereby surrenders her Registered Nurse

1 License No. 397628 for the Board's formal acceptance.

2 9. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation she enables the Board to issue  
3 an order accepting the surrender of her Registered Nurse License without further process.

4 RESERVATION

5 10. The admissions made by Respondent in this stipulation are only for the purposes of  
6 this proceeding, or any other proceedings in which the Board of Registered Nursing or other  
7 professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be admissible in any other criminal or  
8 civil proceeding.

9 CONTINGENCY

10 11. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board of Registered Nursing.

11 Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board of  
12 Registered Nursing may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and  
13 surrender, without notice to or participation by Respondent or her counsel. By signing the  
14 stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that she may not withdraw her agreement or seek  
15 to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails  
16 to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Surrender and Disciplinary  
17 Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal  
18 action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having  
19 considered this matter.

20 12. The parties understand and agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated Surrender of  
21 License and Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as  
22 the originals.

23 13. This Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is intended by the parties to be an  
24 integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement.  
25 It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions,  
26 negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Surrender of License and Order  
27 may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing  
28 executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

1           14. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that  
2 the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Order:

3                                   **ORDER**

4           IT IS ORDERED that Registered Nurse License No. 397628, issued to Respondent Jennifer  
5 Virginia Ridgley, a.k.a. Jennifer Virginia Mach, is surrendered and accepted by the Board of  
6 Registered Nursing.

7           15. The surrender of Respondent's Registered Nurse License and the acceptance of the  
8 surrendered license by the Board shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent.  
9 This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's  
10 license history with the Board.

11          16. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a registered nurse in California as of  
12 the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.

13          17. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board her wall license certificate and, if  
14 one was issued, her pocket license, on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.

15          18. If Respondent ever files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in  
16 the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondent must  
17 comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked license in  
18 effect at the time the petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in  
19 Accusation No. 2011-377 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when  
20 the Board determines whether to grant or deny the petition.

21          19. Upon reinstatement of the license, Respondent shall pay to the Board costs associated  
22 with its investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3  
23 in the amount of \$1,085. Respondent shall be permitted to pay these costs in a payment plan  
24 approved by the Board.

25          20. If Respondent should ever apply or reapply for a new license or certification, or  
26 petition for reinstatement of a license, by any other health care licensing agency in the State of  
27 California, all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation, No. 2011-377 shall be  
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1 deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by Respondent for the purpose of any Statement of  
2 Issues or any other proceeding seeking to deny or restrict licensure.

3 21. Respondent shall not apply for licensure or petition for reinstatement for two (2)  
4 years from the effective date of the Board of Registered Nursing's Decision and Order.

5 ACCEPTANCE

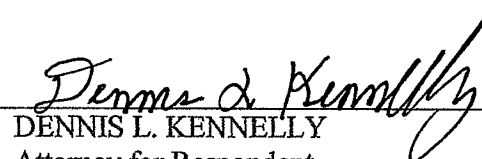
6 I have carefully read the above Stipulated Surrender of License and Order and have fully  
7 discussed it with my attorney, Dennis L. Kennelly. I understand the stipulation and the effect it  
8 will have on my Registered Nurse License. I enter into this Stipulated Surrender of License and  
9 Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order  
10 of the Board of Registered Nursing.

11 DATED: 1/12/2011

  
JENNIFER VIRGINIA RIDGLEY  
a.k.a. JENNIFER VIRGINIA MACH  
Respondent

14 I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Jennifer Virginia Ridgley the terms and  
15 conditions and other matters contained in this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order. I  
16 approve its form and content.

17 DATED: 1/20/2011

  
DENNIS L. KENNELLY  
Attorney for Respondent

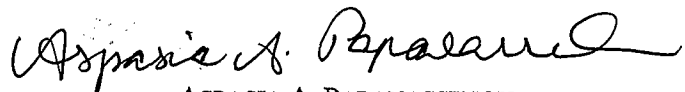
19 ENDORSEMENT

20 The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby respectfully submitted  
21 for consideration by the Board of Registered Nursing of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

22 DATED: 1/24/2011

Respectfully submitted,

23 EDMUND G. BROWN JR.  
24 Attorney General of California  
25 DIANN SOKOLOFF  
Supervising Deputy Attorney General

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28 Deputy Attorney General  
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**Exhibit A**

**Accusation No. 2011-377**

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**ACCUSATION**

15. **Registered Nurse License No. 397628**

16. **Respondent.**

17. **Complainant alleges:**

18. **PARTIES**

19. 1. Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her  
20. official capacity as the Interim Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department  
21. of Consumer Affairs.

22. 2. On or about March 31, 1986, the Board of Registered Nursing issued Registered  
23. Nurse License Number 397628 to Jennifer Virginia Ridgley, also known as Jennifer Virginia  
24. Mach (Respondent). The license was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges  
25. brought in this Accusation and will expire on February 29, 2012, unless renewed.

26. **JURISDICTION**

27. 3. This Accusation is brought before the Board of Registered Nursing (Board),  
28. Department of Consumer Affairs, under the authority of the following laws. All section



1 references are to the Business and Professions Code (Code) unless otherwise indicated.

2 4. Section 2750 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may discipline  
3 any licensee, including a licensee holding a temporary or an inactive license, for any reason  
4 provided in Article 3 (commencing with section 2750) of the Nursing Practice Act.

5 5. Section 2764 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license  
6 shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary proceeding against the  
7 licensee or to render a decision imposing discipline on the license. Under section 2811,  
8 subdivision (b) of the Code, the Board may renew an expired license at any time within eight  
9 years after the expiration.

10 6. Section 118, subdivision (b) of the Code provides that the expiration of a license shall  
11 not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary action during the period  
12 within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated.

#### 13 STATUTORY PROVISIONS

14 7. Section 2761 of the Code states, in pertinent part:

15 "The board may take disciplinary action against a certified or licensed nurse or deny an  
16 application for a certificate or license for any of the following:

17 "(a) Unprofessional conduct, which includes, but is not limited to, the following:

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19 "(4) Denial of licensure, revocation, suspension, restriction, or any other disciplinary action  
20 against a health care professional license or certificate by another state or territory of the United  
21 States, by any other government agency, or by another California health care professional  
22 licensing board. A certified copy of the decision or judgment shall be conclusive evidence of that  
23 action."

#### 24 COST RECOVERY

25 8. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the  
26 administrative law judge to direct a licensee found to have committed a violation or violations of  
27 the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and  
28 enforcement of the case.

1 CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

2 (Unprofessional Conduct: Discipline in Another State)

3 9. Respondent has subjected her registered nurse license to discipline under Code  
4 section 2761, subdivision (a)(4) in that on September 24, 2009, in a disciplinary action in North  
5 Carolina, Respondent surrendered her nursing license issued by the North Carolina Board of  
6 Nursing. The circumstances of the surrender were that Respondent faced pending charges of  
7 obtaining prescription medication without having a physician's authorization.

8 PRAYER

9 WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters alleged in this  
10 Accusation, and that following the hearing, the Board of Registered Nursing issue a decision:

- 11 1. Revoking or suspending Registered Nurse License Number 397628, issued to  
12 Jennifer Virginia Ridgley, also known as Jennifer Virginia Mach;  
13 2. Ordering Jennifer Virginia Ridgley, also known as Jennifer Virginia Mach, to pay the  
14 Board of Registered Nursing the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this  
15 case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3;  
16 3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

17 DATED: October 25, 2010 Louise R. Bailey  
18 LOUISE R. BAILEY, M.ED., RN  
19 Interim Executive Officer  
20 Board of Registered Nursing  
21 Department of Consumer Affairs  
22 State of California  
23 Complainant

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